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SUBJECT: MARCH 22 CHARTER DEVELOPMENTS

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1. LAST TWO DETAINEES BEING HELD BY ROKG IN CONNECTION WITH MARCH 22 CHARTER CRACKDOWN, NAMELY AN CHAE-WUNG, SECGEN OF KOREAN CHRISTIAN STUDENT FEDERATION, AND YI CHIK-HYUNG, DIRECTOR OF KNCC HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE, WERE RELEASED EVENING OF MAY 10. ACCORDING TO SOURCES AT KNCC BOTH ARE IN POOR CONDITION OWING TO ABUSE BY AUTHORITIES WHILE IN DETENTION. BOTH ARE NOW AT THEIR HOMES RECUPERATING. AN IS NOT EXPECTED TO BE UP AND ABOUT FOR ONE WEEK, AND YI IS EXPECTED TO REQUIRE EVEN LENGTHIER REST.

2. NEWS OF CONDITION OF AN AND YI UPON RELEASE HAS CAUSED WIDESPREAD CONSTERNATION AMONG CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY. THIS IN TURN IS LIKELY TO REKINDLE ROKG-KNCC ACRIMONY WHICH HAD DAMPENED A BIT DURING LAST TWO WEEKS AND MAY COOL KNCC INTEREST IN CONTINUING DIALOGUE WITH ROKG.

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